

Today, our friendship is based upon a shared heritage and a hope for the future. When my father came to Warsaw in 1989, he declared that the cold war that began in Poland could end in Poland. Poles won their freedom with courage and determination. Americans from President Reagan to President Bush to President Clinton walked alongside you. Hope became reality. And Poland knows that when that happened, the world turned right side up.

Poland became a mature democracy. Long a friend to America, we now proudly call you Ally. Yours is a moving story, and only you will ever know how difficult it was to write.

Mr. President, the United States greatly admires the leadership you have demonstrated these past 6 years. You understand that building a better future sometimes entails coming to grips with the past, even if that past is uncomfortable to some. America understands the value of reconciliation, of overcoming old divisions. History looks well upon such leadership.

Mr. Prime Minister, the United States is deeply appreciative of your service to your country and to the cause of freedom. You understand that building a better future requires hard choices. The reformer is rarely rewarded and often criticized but then moves ahead with reform, nonetheless. History is kind to this type of leader, as well.

This week I've spoken to many leaders from across Europe about the challenges of unity and open commerce and peace. I am here today because America is convinced that we can meet those challenges in partnership with a strong and free Poland. We know we can count on Poland to remain true to its best traditions of tolerance, compromise, and determination that have brought you so far and so fast.

We know we can count on Poland to keep reaching out to its neighbors, showing them the way and helping them help themselves. We know we can count on Poland to continue its reforms. And Poland can count on America. We are in Europe to stay, because we know the danger of retreating behind the false security of an ocean.

Together, our countries know what faith, commitment, and integrity can build. Our partnership is going to last a long time, always

mindful of where we have been; always moving forward to build the future we know we want, the future we know we can achieve.

My toast is for a free Poland, its leadership, and the courageous souls who made it happen.

God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 8:50 p.m. at the Presidential Palace. In his remarks, he referred to Jolanta Kwasniewski, wife of President Aleksander Kwasniewski, and Ludgarda Buzek, wife of Prime Minister Jerzy Buzek.

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## Digest of Other White House Announcements

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The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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### June 9

The White House announced that the President declared a major disaster in Texas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Allison beginning on June 5 and continuing.

### June 10

In the morning, the President traveled from Crawford, TX, to Washington, DC.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a White House reception for the Ford's Theatre gala on the State Floor at the White House.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the Ford's Theatre gala at Ford's Theatre.

### June 11

In the morning, the President met with Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singapore in the Oval Office.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Madrid, Spain, arriving the following morning.

The President announced his intention to nominate Franklin L. Lavin to be Ambassador to Singapore.

The President announced his intention to nominate Aubrey Hooks to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Allison beginning on June 5 and continuing.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister John Howard of Australia to Washington, DC, on September 10.

#### ***June 12***

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush met with King Juan Carlos I, Queen Sofia, and Crown Prince Felipe at Zarzuela Palace.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Quintos de Mora, Spain, where he met with President Jose Maria Aznar of Spain at his private residence. Later, the President returned to Madrid.

#### ***June 13***

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Brussels, Belgium. While en route aboard Air Force One, the President had a telephone conversation with Central Intelligence Agency Director George J. Tenet, congratulating him on his efforts concerning the Middle East cease-fire.

In the afternoon, the President met with U.S. diplomats, military personnel, and their families at the Brussels American School. Later, the President and Mrs. Bush met with King Albert II and Queen Paola of Belgium at the Royal Palace of Laeken.

The President announced his intention to nominate Daniel R. Levinson to be Inspector General for the General Services Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate John Lester Henshaw to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

The President announced his intention to nominate John J. Young to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition.

#### ***June 14***

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Göteborg, Sweden.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush met with King Carl XVI Gustaf, Queen Silvia, and Crown Princess Victoria of Sweden at the Residence.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jackson McDonald to be Ambassador to Gambia.

#### ***June 15***

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Warsaw, Poland.

In the afternoon, the President met with Prime Minister Jerzy Burek of Poland at the Palace on the Water in Lazienki Park. Later, he participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The President announced his intention to nominate Joseph Gerard Sullivan to be Ambassador to Zimbabwe.

The President announced his intention to nominate John W. Keys to be Commissioner of Reclamation at the Department of the Interior.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jose A. Fourquet to be U.S. Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Commission on Ocean Policy: Robert Ballard, James D. Watkins, Paul L. Kelly, Ted A. Beattie, Lawrence Dickerson, Marc J. Hershman, Ed Rasmuson, Christopher Koch, Paul G. Gaffney, Andrew A. Rosenberg, James M. Coleman, Paul A. Sandifer, William D. Ruckelshaus, Ann D'Amato, Frank Muller-Karger, and Lilliam Barrone.

The President announced his intention to designate J. Timothy O'Neill as Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following 23 individuals as members of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships: Brad Freeman, James E. Bostic, Jr., Paul W. Brooks, Gilberto Cardenas, Martha Chayet, Ben Crenshaw, Robert M. Duncan, Clayton Fong, Valde Garcia, Phillip J. Montante, Jr., Patrick F. Noonan, Alan Novak, Paul Simon, Rosemarie Avila, Fred Carter, Olden Lee, William McGurn, Marcia Jackson, Angela Antonelli, Bruno V. Manno, Jimmy Gurule,

Manuel Lujen Jr., and Lawrence Richard Bearden.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Genoa, Italy, to attend the G-7/8 Summit on July 20-22.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

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#### ***Submitted June 12***

Dionel M. Aviles,  
of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, vice Deborah P. Christie, resigned.

Reginald Jude Brown,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, vice Patrick T. Henry.

Stephen A. Cambone,  
of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, vice James M. Bodner.

Douglas Alan Hartwick,  
of Washington, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

John Lester Henshaw,  
of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, vice Charles N. Jeffress.

Aubrey Hooks,  
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Asa Hutchinson,  
of Arkansas, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, vice Donnie R. Marshall, resigned.

Daniel R. Levinson,  
of Maryland, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration, vice William R. Barton, resigned.

Donald J. McConnell,  
of Ohio, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Eritrea.

Michael Montelongo,  
of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, vice Robert F. Hale.

Alberto Jose Mora,  
of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy, vice Stephen W. Preston.

Laurie Rich,  
of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental and Interagency Affairs, Department of Education, vice G. Mario Moreno, resigned.

Kirk Van Tine,  
of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, vice Nancy E. McFadden.

Michael W. Wynne,  
of Florida, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, vice David R. Oliver.

John J. Young, Jr.,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, vice Herbert Lee Buchanan III.

James W. Ziglar,  
of Mississippi, to be Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, vice Doris Meissner, resigned.

#### ***Submitted June 14***

Vincent Martin Battle,  
of the District of Columbia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Lebanon.